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Dear Sir:

Papers related to the above-identified patent application accompany this transmittal.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3), please treat this reply and any concurrent or future replies in this application that require a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time.

Respectfully,
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